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### TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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#### Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the following documents for the response to the Office Action dated August 27, 2001 in the above application:

- 1. Return Receipt Postcard;
- This transmittal Letter (1 page); and
- Response to Restriction Requirement (2 pages).

Conditional Petition for Extension of Time: If an extension of time is required for timely filing of the enclosed documents after all papers filed with this transmittal have been considered, Applicant(s) hereby petition for such an extension of time.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees required for consideration of the enclosed documents, and to credit any overpayment of fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0553.

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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action dated August 27, 2001. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

### IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claims 23-25 and 35-37 without prejudice.

#### REMARKS

## Restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. 121.

Applicant elects, without traverse, to have the invention of Group I, Claims 1-22 and 26-34 examined. Claims 23-25 and 35-37, which are drawn to the invention of Group II, are canceled without prejudice. Applicant reserves the right to

seek examination of the invention of Group II in a divisional application.

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